



ALABAMA/MISSISSIPPI SECTION

American Water Works Association

Alabama/Mississippi Section of AWWA

PHILANTHROPIC ASSISTANCE

2026 APPLICATION

What is AWWA?

The American Water Works Association (AWWA) is an international non-profit scientific and educational society dedicated to the improvement of drinking water quality and supply. Founded in 1881, AWWA is the largest organization of water supply professionals in the world. Its more than 50,000 members represent the full spectrum of the drinking water community: treatment plant operators and managers, scientists, environmentalists, manufacturers, academicians, regulators, and others who hold genuine interest in water supply and public health. Membership includes more than 4,000 utilities that supply water to roughly 180 million people in North America.

Our Mission

The American Water Works Association is dedicated to the promotion of public health and welfare in the provision of drinking water of unquestionable quality and sufficient quantity. AWWA must be proactive and effective in advancing the technology, science, management, and government policies relative to the stewardship of water.

Our Vision

AWWA will be the leading force in the world dedicated to safe drinking water.

Purpose:

The **Philanthropy Committee** of the Alabama/Mississippi Section of the AWWA serves the Section membership, local communities, and individuals worldwide by advancing the Mission and Vision of AWWA through projects, research, outreach, and service. The Philanthropy Committee seeks to support and provide financial assistance to partner individuals and organizations with this shared vision and mission. AL/MS AWWA Philanthropic Partners must have demonstrated that their Project will further advance the Mission and Vision of AWWA.

Eligibility:

Individuals, groups, and organizations are eligible to apply for philanthropic assistance. Applicants must demonstrate that their Project is consistent with and will help advance the Mission and Vision of AWWA.

Procedure:

Please complete the attached **Application Form** and respond to the **Evaluation Criteria** below in essay format. The Committee will receive applications until **October 15, 2026**. The **ENTIRE** application **cannot** exceed ten (10) pages, excluding this application. Five (5) points will be deducted from applications that exceed ten (10) pages. The Committee will evaluate each applicant and may request additional information and/or interview applicants prior to making recommendations to the AL/MS AWWA Board of Directors.



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Philanthropic Assistance Evaluation Criteria:

Applicants will be graded on the criteria and scale below. The maximum possible score is 100 points. Please respond to the evaluation criteria below in essay format.

- ☐ Project Overview – 10 points
 - Describe the Project, dates/timeframe, location, parties involved, etc.
- ☐ Project Need – 30 points
 - Describe the beneficiaries, demographics, number of beneficiaries, anticipated outcome, etc. Describe specifically how the funds will be used.
- ☐ Consistency with AWWA Vision and Mission – 20 points
 - Describe how the Project is consistent with the Vision and Mission of AWWA.
- ☐ Affiliation with Alabama or Mississippi – 10 points
 - Describe your and/or your Project's affiliation with Alabama or Mississippi.
- ☐ Track Record – 10 points
 - Describe your and/or your organization's history in completing similar Projects.
- ☐ Letters of Support – 20 points
 - Provide letters of support (maximum of 3) from individuals who are familiar with your and/or your organization's character and your ability to complete the Project.

Applications are to be submitted ELECTRONICALLY (PDF format) **on or before October 15, 2026**, to **Austin Moore** at the following email address: austin@heflinengineering.com.

If you DO NOT receive **confirmation of receipt** of this application within one week, please contact Austin Moore by phone at (601) 824-7569.

Assistance is determined annually based on available funds and approved by the AL/MS Section of AWWA Board of Directors. Recipients of funds will be selected at a quarterly Board Meeting of the AL/MS Section of AWWA. Recipients of funds will be notified following the meeting.

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT IS October 15, 2026



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APPLICANT'S INFO

Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant's Address: _____

Contact Information: Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

ORGANIZATION'S INFO (IF APPLICABLE)

Organization's Name: _____

Organization's Address: _____

Contact Information: Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Which of the following best describes your Project:

Construction Project ☐

Service Project ☐

Research ☐

Outreach/Education ☐

Other (describe) ☐ _____

Total \$ Requested: _____ (minimum) _____ (maximum)

If your Project is funded, are you willing to follow-up on the Project status with narratives and photographs? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Submitted by: _____

(Signature)

(Print name/Title)

If your application is selected for funding assistance, who should the check be made payable to and where should the check be mailed?

Name: _____

Address: _____